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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Temperatures for the week averaged 4 to 7 degrees below normal in the northeast half of the State and from near normal to 3 degrees below normal in the southwest. A hard freeze occurred in the western two-thirds of the State on Wednesday morning, and in the eastern two-thirds on the following morning. Valentine and Springview reported low temperatures at 15 degrees on Wednesday. The beginning and close of the period were mild over the entire State. The only precipitation during the week occurred on Tuesday with rain up to 1 inch along the south border, ranging downward to 1/10 inch in the middle and none in the north.

CROPS Killing frost set the stage for faster harvesting of corn and milo. Hard freezes throughout the State stopped plant growth and stalks and leaves have been drying rapidly. Some areas experienced delays of one to three days in harvest because of wet weather. Nearly 20 percent of the corn crop is harvested. Progress fell a little behind last year's rate but was picking up momentum early this week. About 40 percent of the milo is combined. This was also somewhat slower than last year. Soybean harvest is well advanced, hitting the 60 percent mark.

Moisture content of corn is approaching the safe storage point, being reported at 22 percent--a drop of two points from last week. It is one point above content for the 1959 crop on a similar date last year. Milo is running 16 percent moisture on the average, about the same as last week, and one point above a year ago.

Rains were beneficial for winter grains, especially in the southwestern and south central counties. Some central and northwestern sections remain dry. Winter grains have made good growth in the eastern districts, with fields offering abundant pasturage.

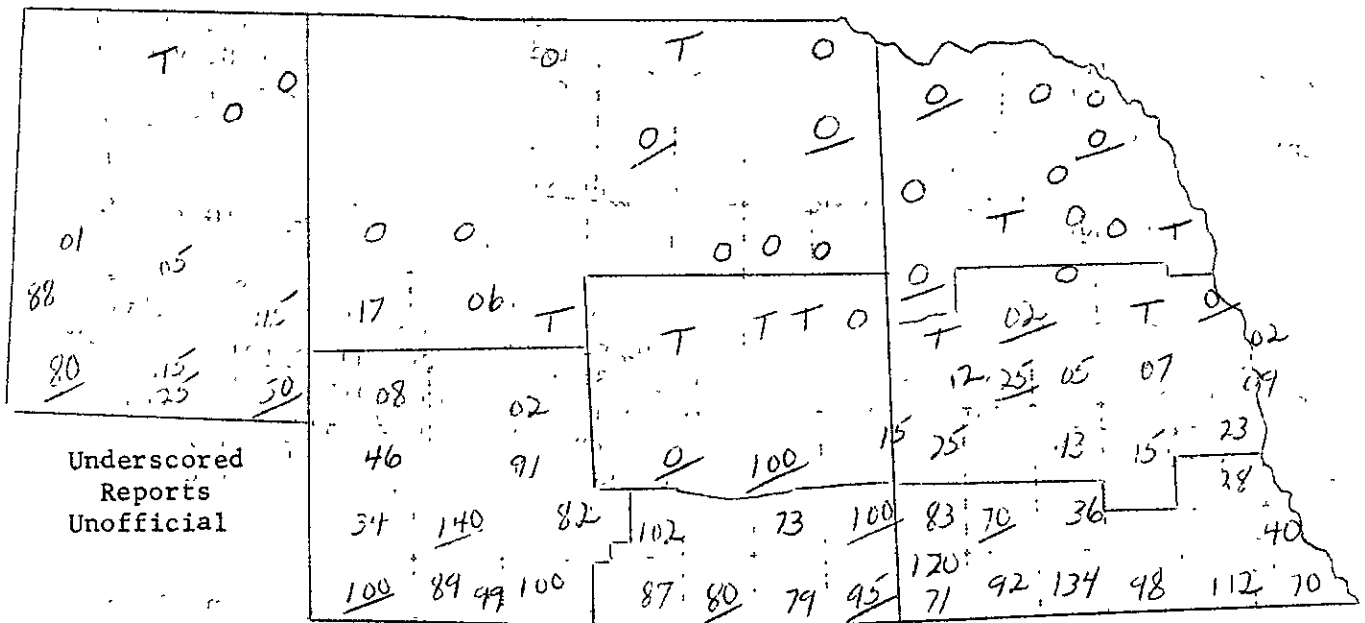
Pasture and range feed conditions vary, ranging from adequate in most eastern counties to short in a number of western sections.

LIVESTOCK Movement of cattle to winter feeding quarters continues. Marketings of calves stepped up in most western areas. Some local sections report the fall movement has passed the peak. Fall weather has been favorable for putting on gains and livestock production rates have been maintained at a high level.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 24, 1960

East		Central		West	
Grand Island	.15	Burwell	0	Chadron	T
Lincoln	.15	North Platte	.02	Imperial	.34
Norfolk	T	Valentine	0	Scottsbluff	.01
Omaha	.02			Sidney	.25
Sioux City	0				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 21, 1960



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HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m. CST)

		October		18th		19th		20th		21st		22nd		23rd		24th	
				Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron			66	36	50	22	46	29	63	33	69	45	70	36	72	33
	Scottsbluff			62	44	46	30	42	28	63	37	69	41	72	33	73	37
	Sidney			61	44	49	28	40	29	63	34	67	41	69	35	73	33
NC	Burwell			67	33	56	17	43	18	65	32	71	42	77	33	79	--
	Valentine			--	--	52	15	41	21	62	31	68	40	72	36	74	33
NE	Norfolk			65	43	57	25	37	16	56	31	68	41	74	36	74	36
	Sioux City			68	45	60	27	40	16	39	28	68	41	75	36	73	35
CEN	Grand Island			70	49	52	25	42	26	57	38	71	48	79	38	75	44
EC	Lincoln			69	48	53	31	42	24	52	39	70	53	79	43	75	44
	Omaha			67	42	55	28	40	21	42	33	62	49	73	38	74	38
SW	Imperial			68	47	48	27	38	30	65	42	72	48	74	35	75	38
	North Platte			69	46	56	22	41	30	68	33	71	37	76	29	76	33

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